

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 1 is a prior art diagram for explaining a data format of a magneto-optical disk and the waveforms of readout signals of respective sections of the data format of the disk.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 31, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 2 is a prior art block diagram of a data reproduction apparatus including a Viterbi detector.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 33, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 3 is a prior art diagram for explaining the modulation transfer function characteristics of an ID-section readout signal and a MO-section readout signal.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 36, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 4A and FIG. 4B are prior art block diagrams of a dual-mode configuration and a single-mode configuration of a PRML system in the data reproduction apparatus.